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Trailblazers

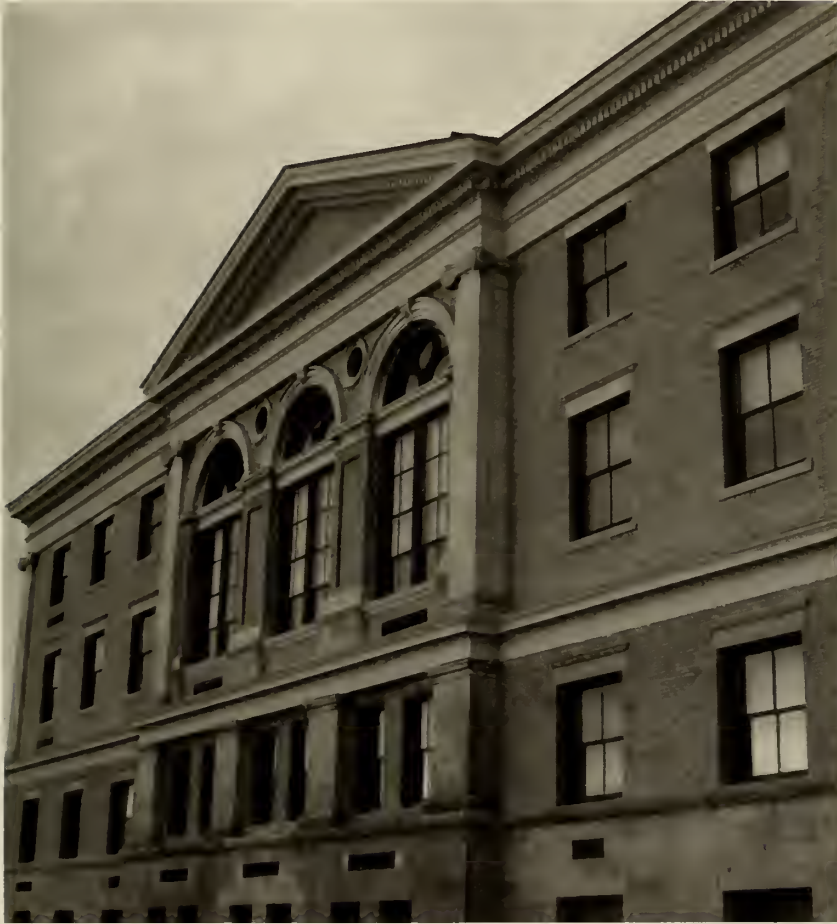




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*"The hope is there. The sun is rising. Our best days are yet to come."
~Senator John Kerry*

Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts
375 Church Street
North Adams, Massachusetts 01247

Message from the President



Dear Members of the Class of 2008

I offer you my most sincere congratulations on your graduation from Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts and offer you best wishes in all that your future holds. Earning a baccalaureate or masters degree is a significant accomplishment on which you should be extremely proud; I know that we are all very proud of you! Regardless of your major, your degree from MCLA will prove valuable as you pursue careers or graduate school.

It is my greatest hope that you will look back on your time at MCLA with fondness. You have worked hard to complete your studies, you have developed enduring relationships with members of the faculty and staff, and you have built friendships that will last you a lifetime. I urge you to continue those bonds in the years ahead; they will serve you well personally and professionally.

As you head off to begin new jobs, continue your education, or explore new opportunities please keep in touch with MCLA. As alumni of this institution you are our best examples of success and serve as important role models for future students. We want to hear about your activities and achievements, we want to know how you are doing, and we hope that you will visit often.

MCLA is a better institution because of each and every one of you. I thank you for that, and consider it a true privilege and a great pleasure to have served as your president. It has been a great gift to have come to know so many of you personally. I wish you every success and look forward to calling you fellow alumni.

Sincerely
Mary K. Grant, Ph.D.
President





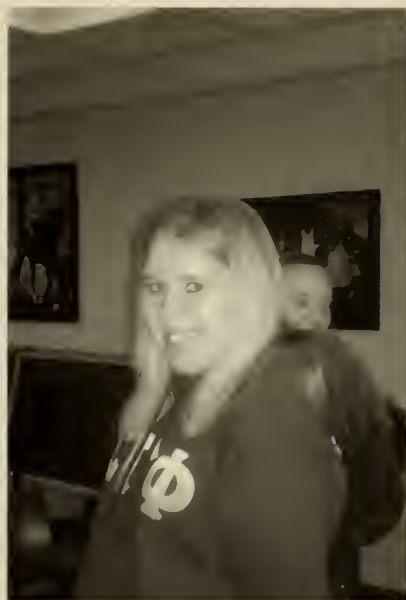


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Class of 2008



*"Friendship is born at that
moment when one person says to
another "What! you too? I
thought I was the only one"
-C.S. Lewis*



Richard Agbortoko
Erica Allen
Juana Arias
Andrea Bacchi
Jeffrey Bernard



Dianna Blanchard
Elena Borosky
Jessica Bortolotto
Katherine Bosco
Jacob Brundige



Anthony Bruno
Lauren Burdick
Nicole Bushika
Kelly Cardonnel
Elizabeth Carlson

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Ivy Carmel
Amanda Carpenter
Heather Confer
Ashley Contois
Thomas Coppola



Jessica Coutinho
Shawna Cullen
Angel Dailey
Sarah Davitt-Sweeney
Lyndsay DeBord



Gina DeGrenier
Lorry Delmolino
Jessica Dennis
Jessica Donegan
Eric Drawert



Amy Driscoll
Lisa Eklof
Edwin Escobar
Elizabeth Farrell
Jennifer Fiorile



James Fitch
Andrea Fitzgerald
Megan Fitzgerald
Mary Beth Francese
Kaylee Furlano





James Gaffga
Jessica Gage
Toniann Genovese
Justin Guiliani
Jonathon Goranson



Amanda Goulet
Scott Greenberg
Anthony Hamling
Doran Hamm
Michelle Hansen



Kimberly Harris
Toby Hartwell
Ashley Hauswirth
Kimberly Hendricks
Jennifer Herbert

*"Tell me and I'll forget; show me and I may remember; involve me and I'll understand."
~Chinese Proverb*

Kimberly Hollister
Valerie Hope
Jennifer Hug
Adam Jolicoeur
Julie Jordan
Misty Keyes



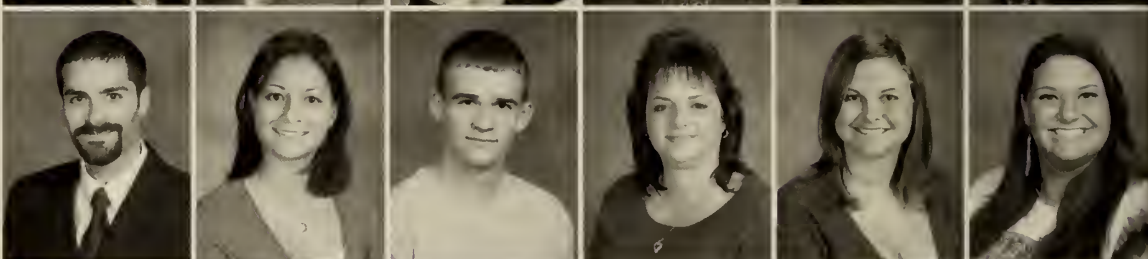
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Elizabeth Kimball
Jeffrey King
Kristean Kissel
Rebecca Knights
Myanne Krivoshey



Danielle LaCasse
Ann-Marie LaFave
Michelle LeBlanc
Omar Leonard
Alicia Lepage
Heather Mackesey



Sean McKenney
Lisa Merrill
Jason Mlodzianowski
Dawn Morin
Christina Murray
Joanne Passias



Nicole Pelletier
Gabriel Pesce
Holly Peters
Kimberly Pikul
Kyle Ploof
Regina Rancatti



Rebecca Relyea
Anibelka Reyes
Meredyth Sabin
Peter Salant
Tracy -Renee Scagnelli
Henry Schrader



*"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams.
Live the life you have imagined."
~Henry David Thoreau*



Alix Seifert
Heather Senecal
Spencer Shaw
Bethany Shears
Corrinne Shogry
Vladimir Shvorin



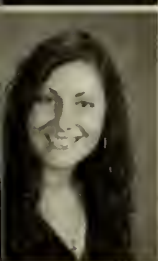
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Trevor Skrocki
Katie Sporko
Terry Storella
Zoe Sugg
Laura Tatros



Michael Taylor
Joshua Tefft
Matthew Tibbs
Luis Torres
Amy Troelstra
Jennifer Valera



Katherine VanAnden
Erica Varieur
Christine Vlach
Haley Waugh
Rebecca Wehry
Valerie White



Sarah Yurenda





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Clubs and Organizations



*"Don't tell people how to do things,
tell them what to do and let them
surprise you with their results."
-George S. Patton*

Student Government Association



We rule...literally & figuratively



Executive Board:
 President Michelle Hansen
 Executive Vice President Chris Kennedy
 Coordinating Vice President Shea Beath
 Treasurer Catie Lachappelle
 Student Trustee Mark Richards
 Parliamentarian Jameek Clovie
 PR Chair Jamal Ahamad
 Senate Chair Jimmy Sheridan
 Advisor Celia Norcross
 Office Manager Diane Collins

Senators:
 Amy Troelstra
 Justin Vanderpool
 Sarah Robischon
 Christy Vlach
 Keifer Gammell
 Lauren Casola
 Kevin DeSantis
 Cassandra Pierre
 Jessica Krason
 Darren Fitzgerald
 Dayne Wahl
 Kristen Banks
 Pat Moran
 Deb Ambroseno
 Sean Sneed
 Richard Kelsey



Student Activities Council



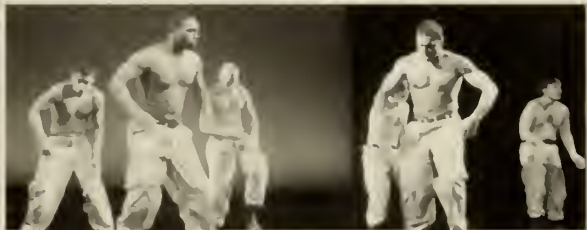
Commuter Advisory Board



Yorick



Dance Company



Harlequin



CENTER FOR SERVICE



PILLARS



African American Studies Club



Asian Club



Multi-Cultural Students Society



Jewish Student Union

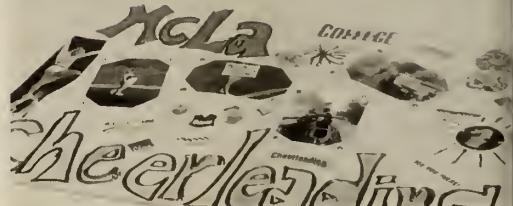


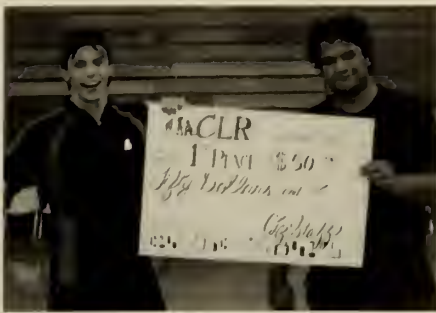
Cheerleading Club



BOXING CLUB

SKI CLUB





Outdoors Club

BGLAD



STARS



Biology Club



Political Science Club



Critical Failure



Anime Club

Film Club



National Broadcast Society



Photography Club





WJJW 91.1 Radio Station



The Beacon

Your Mission Should You Choose To Accept...

Orientation Leaders



Marcelle Bastille
Amey Blackburn
Danielle Gismondi
Michelle Hansen
Victor Joyner
Gaby Rivera
Maggie Rolla
Ellen Rosati
Justin Vanderpoole
Dayne Wahl
Annie Ruvolo,
Coordinator of
Orientation





Jamal Ahamad
 Erica Allen
 Joseph Baker
 Kristen Banks
 Marcelle Bastille
 Shea Beath
 Adam Burdick
 Eddie Cano
 Adam Carmichael
 Jessica Coutinho
 Barbara DeNucci
 Kevin DeSantis
 Jessica Gage
 Robert Gibson
 Danielle Gismondi
 Kim Harris
 Valerie Hope
 Larissa Huda
 Lauren Inignoi
 Ryan Kelly
 Nhi Lam
 Heather Mackesey
 Alyssa Masucci
 Pat Moran
 Jade Prickett
 Mark Richards
 Gabriela Rivera
 Sarah Robischon
 Ellen Rosati
 Henry Schrader
 Christen Sempell
 Emily Silver
 Bob Skerry
 Kellie Vincent
 Dayne Wahl
 Ben Warren
 Jaqueline Williams



Peer Advisors

SWAT Team: Students Working to Assist Transitions

Inter Greek Council

Sigma Gamma Phi



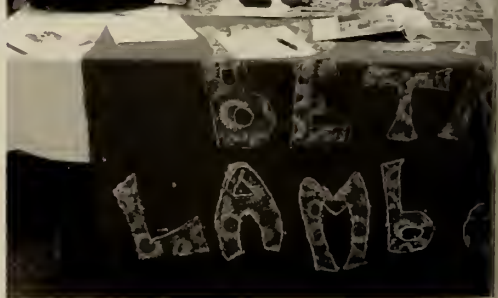
Beta Lambda



Pi Upsilon Pi



At right IGC members from top row: Heather Pepe, Casey Devlin, Katerina Chhay, Emily Sigler, Matthew Jennings, Derek Staples, Matthew Markir, Rory Allan, Katherine Jenkins, Lois Springer, Tabitha Cruz, Kim Harris, Sam Estes, Sara Valero, Fayla Coons, Dre Fitzgerald, Molly DiMuccio, Kevin DeSantis, Jacqueline Williams





Top Row: Jameek Clovie, Dauri Torres, Raechal Doughty, Brandon Clinton, Kim Hendricks, Chris Pataky, Nate Haney, Jimmy Sheridan, Kevin Pink, Dianne Manning, Emily Schiavoni, Fred Karl, Catie Lachapelle, Lindsay Murray, Mychal Machado. **Middle Row:** Maggie Rolla, Katelyn Bouckart, Laurel Sogn, Darren Fitzgerald, Heather Audette, Liz McWhirk. **Bottom Row:** Michelle Hansen, Christy Vlach, Lyndsay Isham, Becky Relyea, Alix Seifert.



Residence Life

Student Leadership





Jamal Ahamad



Ashley Contois



Max Drawert



Danielle durand



Becky Fleckner



Dory Hamm



Pat Harris



Jen Herbert



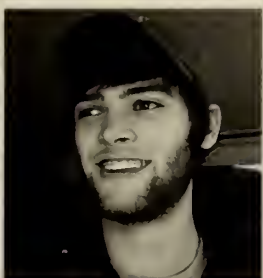
Larissa Huda



Adam Jolicoeur



Ryan Kelly



Ben Leahy



Tim McAvoy



Pat Moran



Alex Poulin



Mark Richards



Gaby Rivera



Krista Roche



Merry Sabin



Julie Schoenthal



Laura Silverman



Josh Tefft



Matt Tibbs



Dauri Torres



Ben Warren

MCLA Ambassadors



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MCLA Trailblazers



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*"Talent wins games,
but teamwork and intelligence
wins championships."
~Michael Jordan*

Tennis & Volleyball



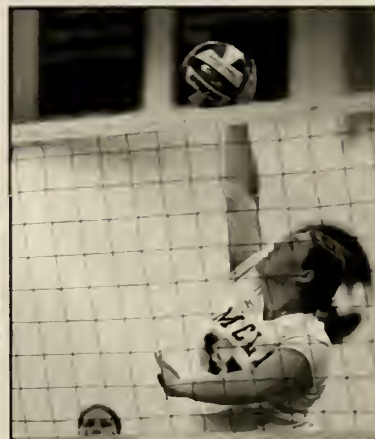
Members of the 2007-2008 Women's Tennis Team:
Kristen Banks, Katie Bodnar, Jihan Leonard,
Jennifer Paskowski, Jen Paull, Anibelka Reyes,
Gabriella Rivera, Maggie Rolla, Sandra Sheridan,
Emily Silver, Samantha Woodworth.
Coach: Annie Ruvolo

Members of the 2007-2008 Women's Volleyball Team:

Amanda Borsotti, Ashley Jadlos, Marta Brown,
Kasey Snook, Ryan Kelly, Maggie Kucharski,
Jamie Signor, Cristina Kidd, Amanda Lane,
Corrine Rommeney, Diana Blanchard,
Alicia Thibault, Wendy McLatchy.
Coaches: Amanda Beckwith and Kristin Rapkowicz



*"Champions keep playing
until they get it right."
~Billie Jean King*



2007-2008

Men's Soccer

MASCAC Honors

Second Team:
Casey Baker, Joe Irwin
Ben Twonmey, Tom Murphy



Members of the 2007-2008 Men's Soccer Team:

Bryan Char, Sean Teehan, John McCarthy, Richard Line, Luke Davis, Brian Szabo, Tom Murphy, Ben Twomey, Joe Irwin, Gianfranco Bravo, Joe Dedy, Edwin Escobar, Erek Lane, Casey Baker, Raul Escobar, Jason Mlodgianowski, Mark Ciocari, Kyle Romeo, Adam Tarsa, Bob Tator.

Coaches: Adam Hildabrand and Nick Cardillo.



MASCAC Second Team recipient; Casey Baker takes one to the net.



MASCAC Honors

Coach of the Year: Deb Raber

First Team and Rookie of the Year: Jess Tietgens

Second Team: Samantha Morrissey and Kristean Kissel

The team finished 35th out of 81 teams in New England.

2007-2008

Women's Soccer

MASCAC Rookie of the Year; Jess Tietgens does her best to fend off an opponent.



Members of the 2007-2008 Women's Soccer Team:

Kristean Kissel, Jessica Tietgens, Danielle Weber, Jade Prickett, Samantha Miller, Samantha Morrissey, Christina Murray, Karri Schongar, Taylor Kenyon, Gaby Fernandez, Erin Bourque, Rachel Desautels, JackieVye, Danielle Parenteau, Katie Buckler, Lizzie Ryan, Harmony McGorman, Alexis Tabor, Michelle MacDonald, CeCe Von Tiesenhausen-Hush, Maggie Shea, Sara Miller, Lisa Merrill, Samantha Weher, Ashley Collins. Coaches: Deb Raber and Holly McGovern



2007-2008

Women's Basketball

"This is a tough game. There are times when you've got to play hurt, when you've got to block out the pain."

~Shaquille O'Neal



Members of the 2007-2008 Women's Basketball Team:

Samantha Weber, Larissa Miner, Amanda Borsotti, Ali Leveille, Danielle Parenteau, Chelsey Burke, Kristean Kissel, Jade Prickett, Jessica Tietgens, Taylor Kenyon, Jackie Vye, Shabori Burton, Laura Silverman.

Head Coach: Holly McGovern, Dave Kubicki and Jay Fortier



2007-2008

Men's Basketball



On January 17, 2008, Dave Bisesi scored 34 points against Southern Vermont College. On that night he also scored his 1,000th point.



Members of the 2007-2008 Men's Basketball Team:

Dave Bisesi, Pat O'Connell, Alex Lopes, Benny Cuprill, Jared Martin, Diante Ellis, Chris Cassels, Henry Schrader, Marvin Thompson, Joe Paoletti, Mike Perreault, Shalka Rivera, Curtis Leaston, Mike Callahan, Derek , Jon Greenberg, Pat Ryan.

Head Coach: Jamie Morrison

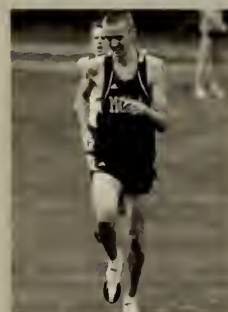


2007-2008

Cross Country

"Runners just do it - they run for the finish line even if someone else has reached it first."

~Author Unknown



Members of the 2007-2008 Cross Country Team:

Men: Nicholas Raby, Nick Curelop, Chris Kelley, Kevin Tappin, Benjamin Leahy, Benjamin Warren, and Patrick Moran.

Women: Xhirley Gonzalez, Rachel Wright, and Emily Johnson.

Coach: Kent Lemme



2007-2008

*"The only shots you can be sure of are those you've
had already."
~Byron Nelson*

Golf



Members of the 2007-2008 Golf Team:
Simon Zelazo, Chris Polidor, Mitch Spooner, Matt Dogulas, Ed Cano, Brandon Sullivan, Pat Ryan, Tim
Briggs, Travis Trottier, Matt Babeu, Adam Ciborowski, Marshall Prokup, Shaun Lavalley





"There is no greatness without a passion to be great, whether it's the aspiration of an athlete or an artist, a scientist, a parent, or a businessperson."
~Anthony Robbins





*"Competing in sports has taught me that if I'm not willing to give 120 percent, somebody else will."
~ Ron Blomberg*



*"You're the only one who
can make the difference.
Whatever your dream is, go
for it."
~Magic Johnson*



National Girls & Women in Sports Day

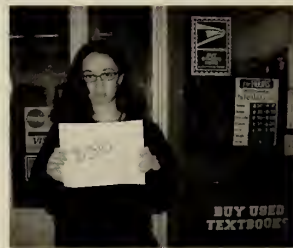
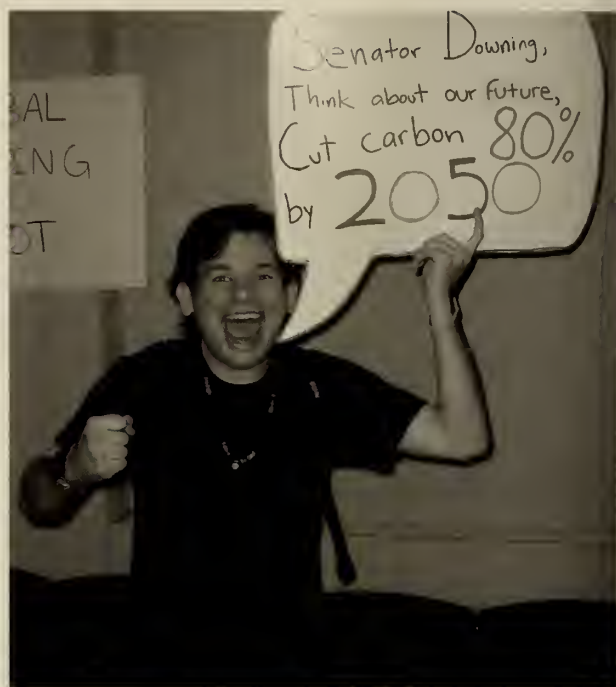




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Student Activities

Community Service, Theater, Clubs, Sports, Activism



"The purpose of life, after all, is to live it, to taste experience to the utmost, to reach out eagerly and without fear for newer and richer experiences."

~Eleanor Roosevelt

Fine & Performing Arts Department Presents: 'Major Barbara' by George Bernard Shaw

Starring:

Julie Reitz Schoenthal - Lady Britomart Undershaft
Ben Leahy - Stephen Undershaft
Jed Krivisky - Morrison
Trista LaBonte - Barbara Undershaft
Mary Domenichelli - Sarah Undershaft
Matthew Tibbs - Adolphus Cusins
Patrick Harris - Charles Lomax
Doran Hamm - Andrew Undershaft
Rebecca Fleckner - Rummy Mitchens
Tim McEvoy - Snobby Price
Ellen Rosati - Jenny Hill
Peter Fitzgerald - Peter Shirley
Conor Seamus Morony - Bill Walker
Kelly Flanagan - Mrs. Baines
Kelsey Metts-Murphy - Salvation Army Worker
Peter I. Farina - Singer/Convert
Phil Hardy-Lavoie - Destitute Man
C/J Haley - Young Hoodlum
Alison Barker - Young Mother
Mike Barry - Bilton
Petrea Mennello - Child
Lauren Hope Shamburger - Child



"What price is salvation now?"

Helping Hands



Welcomefest

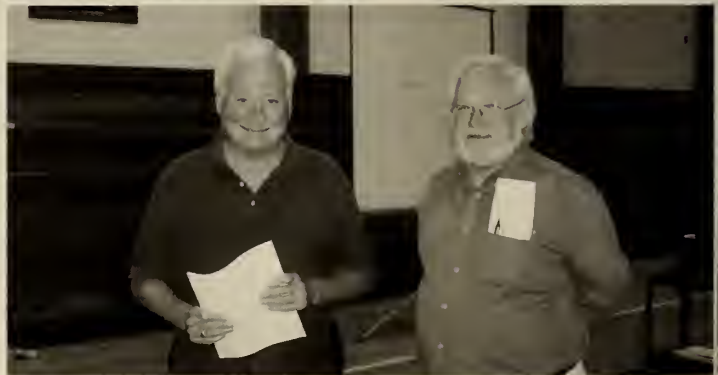








Faculty and Staff







Good-bye...

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*"Now the first of December was covered with snow,
And so was the turnpike from Stockbridge to Boston,
The Berkshires seemed dream-like on account of that
frosting,
With ten miles behind me and ten thousand more to
go."*

~James Taylor



